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SUBJECT

Scheme for housing Scavengers in the Mysore city Municipality

Go note 3823-25 of 22/11/35. To Forward city Medical Officer, Health Officer, Corporation Executive Engineer, City Engineer for Scheme for housing the Forward city Medical Officer

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Serial No

Letter No Q T 1713 dated 26-3-35 from the President, City Municipal Council Mysore requesting sanction to the resolution of the Municipal Council that Govt be requested to lend a sum of Rs 25,000 at a specially low rate of interest to build cheap and sanitary houses for the scavengers in various Mohallas of the city to alleviate the housing difficulty of these people

1 The present proposal is to build 125 houses or 31 units of four-houses each with brick & tatunes as per design enclosed at a cost of Rs 200 per house The site selected for the purpose is between the extension of the Jaya Rao Road and the Purnaiah's Mallah beyond the Epidemic Diseases Hospital - A rent of Rs 1-4-0 to Rs 1-8-0 a house per month is proposed to be levied which will work out to more than Rs 2 000 a year and which is proposed to be set-marked for this amount for the liquidation of the loan. The President hopes to liquidate the loan with interest at 4 % within a period of 20 years.

2 Though the scheme seems to be a self-supporting one, it is a point for consideration whether the loan can be sanctioned - The Financial Secretary may be consulted

3 For favor of opinion

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4 The proposal is to sanction a free grant of Rs 25 000/- or a loan of Rs 25 000/- repayable in 20 years at 4% interest for the construction of about 125 houses for the housing of scavengers in the Mysore City

5 In the present financial condition, it is not possible to give the free grant asked for. If a loan is to be sanctioned by Government, interest at at least 5½% has to be paid by the Municipality and the loan has to be repaid within at least 15 years. The Municipality will have to pay every year (towards principal and interest) about Rs 2,490/- The Municipality states that rent has to be recovered from the scavengers at Rs 1-4-0 to Rs 1-8-0 per month as there is no other source. No rent is recovered from the scavengers in Bangalore City or Bangalore Cantonment and it is not safe to count upon the recovery of rent from the scavengers at Mysore

6 The Municipality is at present not able to meet its ordinary expenditure, including dues to Government, from its revenues and it is not desirable to take up new schemes involving heavy expenditure, till the finances of the Municipality improve

For reasons stated above I would state that the proposal should be deferred

CHIEF SECRETARY
17 APR 35

1644/35

What is a Sweepers pay?

17/4/35

[redacted] Sweepers in Mysore city

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Serial No 9

The information in connection with the answer furnished [redacted] Intelligence subject in Dec 34)

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The pay of a sweeper in the Mysore city Mcty is as follows:—

Male Sweeper	Rs 9-5-6 p m
Female Sweeper	Rs 7-7-0 "

Rmr 17/4 GRR

Chief Secy) 18/4

18 APR 1935

11) The proposal is to recover a rent of Re 1/4 or 1/8 from these Sweepers Can they pay this rent? Please send the file to the permanent President ~~after~~ for favour of remarks on this point as also on any other points on which he would like to say anything

RG 18/4/35

HD no 219 18-4-35

9 72438/7-23-4-35

12 Forwarded with compliments and request to the President City Improvement Council, Mysore for favour of remarks

By order
Ashwathrao
for Chief Secretary to Govt

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Returned with compliments

13) I am afraid that it would be hard to expect the sweepers and scavengers to pay a rent of Rs 1-4-0 to Rs 1-8-0 a month for the houses out of the wages they get and that recovery of this amount even if practicable would involve a good deal of hardship on this extremely indigent class of Municipal servants I do not believe that rent is recovered from sweepers and scavengers in any of the important Sister Municipalities

14 The satisfactory housing of the sweepers and scavengers is however an essential and urgent matter The most satisfactory way would be for the Municipality to provide them with rent-free houses of the type proposed or cheaper ones if possible when the Municipal finances which have been unsatisfactory for several years, are rehabilitated and improved up to the stage when the Municipality would be able to provide pucca rent-free quarters for all its sweepers and scavengers But in view of the extremely unsatisfactory state of their present sheds and colonies which are also an eye-sore and a menace to the neighbourhoods and of the growing discontent among the sweepers and scavengers with their existing conditions I feel that something must be done urgently to improve their conditions which at the same time would not involve a heavy recurring burden on the municipal finances

15 The Municipal Council have now approved of an alternative and cheaper proposal for housing these employees fairly -- satisfactorily at least for the next few decades The idea is to lay out selected sites - five or six sites along the rim of the City selected with reference to their distance from the areas served by the scavengers and their general suitability and bearing in mind the normal growth of the extensions -- and to mark out thereon the places for sheds, leaving sufficient space between the sheds and providing for roads latrines taps lights and a common ground for the temple etc and to encourage the employees to build their

their own sheds thereon all according to a definite design of which one or two models will be put up by the Municipality The sheds will be of bamboos and mud walls white-washed and thatched roofing with a pial and a tree in front A scheme of this kind was tried by the Sri Krishnarajendra Mills about three years ago and a number of sheds have come up there - Similar and in some respects better-maintained houses are to be seen in the Voddar Colony at the foot of the Chamundi Hill

16) Enquiries show that the materials for a shed of about - 20' X 12' with partition for kitchen and bath cost the Sri Krishnarajendra Mills employees about Rs 12/- to Rs 15/- per shed and the Chamundi Hill Road Voddars about Rs 15/- to 20/- The men put up the sheds themselves with the help of their families and neighbours but some of them who did not choose to do so paid a more enterprising neighbour or done himself about Rs 4/- to Rs 6/- as wages for putting up the shed The walls are white-washed the floor is surfaced with cowdung A pial under a tree in front of the houses adds to the amenities and the appearance of the colony

17) The Sri Krishnarajendra Mills employees got no aid from the Mills at all for putting their sheds up, except the site and the water, lighting and latrine facilities for which they paid a rent of as much as 0-8-0 annas a month But in the case of the scavengers it is proposed to give to each builder the necessary shed materials -- bamboos cocoanut leaves straw etc which are estimated to cost about Rs 13/- per shed of 20' X 12' The number of sheds required to house all the present employees is estimated at 250 and a provision of Rs 4000/- has been made in the Budget for 1935-36 for this purpose A small charge of about 4 annas per shed is proposed to be made if possible to indicate the tenancy position of the occupants and to go some way towards the cost of the maintenance of the huts and the amenities provided for the colony

18) The scheme has also the advantage that the colonies could

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could be shifted again if the future needs of the City so require or particular areas or sheds become particular filthy or rat-infested

19 I have had opportunities of discussing the scheme with the scavengers and sweepers and their Yajamans and they are quite in favour of the proposal and have indicated their willingness to build such sheds for themselves on the sites marked out

20 I have recently selected the sites and shall submit them for the approval of the Dewan when he next visits Mysore The work could be started immediately after the sites are approved and the Budget is sanctioned

M B Nasan
President
City Municipal Council
Mysore

2nd September 1935

5 SEP 1935

Scheme for providing accommodation for the 4339 Scavengers pits Mysore City

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10 SEPT 1935
No. 1760.

21) In the last para of his note, the President has stated that he would submit the selection of sites, for the approval of the Dewan when he next visits Mysore

22) Submitted with reference to para 11 above

7/9/35

23) Chiefsecy 9/9

24) The President's proposal appears to be sound. It is bold and very costly.

25) It may be sanctioned, after orders on the budget are passed

Dewan) 10/9

26) 10-9-35.

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27) Please put up after orders are issued on the budget 10/9

28 Orders have issued on the Budget Estimates of the Mysore city Municipality for 35-36. A provision of Rs 3 000 has been included on the Expenditure side for the construction of Sweepers' sheds

Submitted for orders

12/11

Please put up a draft

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NOTE—Contn Sheet

Housing of scavengers in the Mysore city Municipality

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Go sanctioning the President's proposal, the expenditure during the current year being limited to the budget provision of Rs 3000

ASM 12/11

Draft G.O submitted for consideration

13/11 MM 13/11

Please put up a fair draft

The budget file may be put up for reference

ASM 15/11

Fair draft as revised is submitted

The budget file has been put up in another connection the provision of Rs 4000 was reduced to Rs 3000 on a suggestion of the Comptroller, to balance the budget

The draft is for orders

ASM 16/11

Chief Secy

The proposal to charge 4 annas for each [illegible] is omitted in the draft as it is not definite whether it is making a profit

CHIEF SECRETARY

2nd Member

BM 19-11-35

ASM 19/11

18 NOV 1935

MM 20/11/35

BM 20/11

ASM 20/11

No 3855

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PUBLIC L & REV SECT

The President, Mysore city Municipality
Comptroller to Govt
" Dr of Health
No L 3823-5 dated 22-11-35

Sanctions the alternative proposal limiting the expenditure to the budget provision of Rs 3000

B 26/11

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MYSORE.

DATED 25th March 1935

GT 1713

One Resolution copy
two extracts
for despatch

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ml 279-33-7

FROM

N KRISHNA IYENGAR ESQ , B E

PRESIDENT City Municipal Council

Mysore

To

The Chief Secretary to

the Government of His Highness the Maharaja

of Mysore BANGALORE

CHIEF SECY 28 MAR 1935

Sir

linked file

Adverting to letter o L 90-7/Ml 279-33-3- dated the 6th July 1934 and subsequent reminders o L 1708-70/Ml 279-33-5 andL 3924-30/Ml 279-33 dated 8/10th September and 30/6th December 1934 respectivel regarding the question of providing suitable accommodation for the scavengers in the Municipality I have the honour to state that a letter dated 29-11-1933 was received from 14 Councillors requesting to convene a special meeting of the Council for consideration of the proposition to request Goverrment to lend Rs 25 000/- for the construction of cheap and sanitary tenaments to the scavengers at the various mohallas in the City

Accordingly a meeting was held on 13th December 1933 for consideration of the proposition which was carried unanimously A copy of the proposition together with the Resolution thereon is herein appended

In this connection it may be noted that it is proposed to build cheap houses for the housing of sweepers and scavengers, in various mohallas of the City so as to obviate the inconvenience now caused by their going from one end of the City to another every day for work

The Municipal Council constructed five units of four houses each to house twenty families in the year 1930-31 at a cost of Rs 4 550/- between he Railway Line and Adi-Karnataka-Pura For want of funds the scheme could not be pursued further

Two alternative designs are now prepared both for a unit of four houses each house costing Rs 200/- and Rs 240/- respectively The former design is for a pial of 3' in front of the roof itself being projected forward to serve as a Varandah and the latter is for a varandah of 6' in front Each house has a room of 12' x 10' with a partition/dwarf -wall in the middle to serve as a kitchen Experience shows that these people should be provided with the minimum space required as otherwise they will enclose the varandahs in front and convert them into tenamental purposes Hence the pial design seems more suitable and x cheaper The whole structure will be in brick in mud ard covered over with Mangalore tiles and jungle-wood rafters

There are nearly 150 to 175 families and the loan now applied for will be sufficient for the construction of about 125 houses or 31 units of four houses each with bore-hole latrines The site now selected for the purpose is between the extension of Sayyaji Rao Road and the Purniah's Nallah beyond the ~~xxx~~ Epidemic Diseases Hospital and the sare has been approved A site plan is also enclosed for reference This site will serve for the sweepers working in Mandy, Lashkar and a portion of Devaraja Mohallas Suitable sites for housing the scavengers in other Mohallas are being selected

The loan of Rs 25 000/- prayed for will be drawn in two instalments as necessity ard demand arises A rent of Rs 1-4-0 to Rs 1-8-0 a house is proposed to be levied which will work out to Rs 187/- a month or Rs 2244/- a year For all practical purposes a sum of Rs 2,000/- a year may be realised which will be ear-marked for the liquidation of the Loan Taking the interest to be charged on the loan at 4% the full loan will be liquidated together with interest within a period of twent years

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The Municipal Council will have to undertake the annual maintenance of the building till the loan is liquidated

In view of the low pay allowed to the scavenging staff the Health Officer is of opinion that it is not desirable to charge any rent and permit them to occupy the buildings free of rent as in Bangalore City and Contonment Municipalities But in view of the adverse financial condition of the Municipality it would not be possible to meet the annual instalment of the loan from any other source and it seems therefore essential to charge some rent unless Government would be pleased to allow a free grant of Rs 25 000/- for this purpose

I therefore request that the Government may kindly be moved to sanction the loan of Rs 25 000/- at a specially low rate of interest for the purpose as resolved by the Council or to allow a free grant to this extent, and the design of the house to be constructed

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

PRESIDENT

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Proceedings of the 13th (Special) meeting of the Mysore City Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday the 13th December 1933 at 4 P M

Present

B T Kesavaiengar Esq B A President

1 Rao Saheb M Ramaswamy Esq Vice-President
2 M Rama Rao Esq ,B A B L
3 M K Krishna Rao Esq
4 P Sitaramiah Esq B A B L
5 T S Alli Khan Esq
6 P S Ramaswamy Iyengar Esq
7 C Doddajavarappa Esq
8 K N Venkatakrishnaiah Esq B A
9 A Krishna Rao Esq B A B L
10 S Krishna Swamy Rao Esq B A LL B
11 H L Devaraja Urs Esq
12 T Thammanna Esq
13 M C Thammiah Esq
14 A R Sricanta Sharma Esq
15 H C Dasappa Esq B A B L
16 W H Theobald Esq
17 Hakim Mohamed Khasim Ansari Khaji Esq
18 Fida Hussain Esq
19 Mrs Y K Amirtha Bai
20 C Narasimhaiah Esq B A B L

Absent

1 (Vacant)

2 N P Rargadhamiah Esq

3 M K Madahava Rao Powar Esq

4 Mohamed Sait Esq

5 K Dhanakoti Chetty Esq

6 Y Virupakshiah Esq

7 A F Ram Esq

8 P N Sangappa Esq

9 V T Arumugam Mudaliar Esq

10 (vacant)

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President

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238 Letter dated 29th November 1933 signed by the marginally noted 14 Municipal Councillors requesting to convene a Special meeting of the Municipal Council for considering the following resolution -

Messrs	Resolved that the Government
1 C Narasimhiah	be requested to lend Rs 25 000
2 P Sitaramiah	at 4½% interest to build
3 A R Sricanta Sharma	up cheap and sanitary houses
4 M Fida Hussain	for the scavengers at
5 T Thammanna	various portions of the
6 M C Thammiah	City of Mysore to obviate
7 C Doddajavarappa	the housing difficulty
8 A Krishna Rao	of these people
9 M Krishna Rao	
10 Rao Sahib M Ramaswamy	
11 W H Theobald	
12 H L Devaraja Urs	
13 K N Venkatakrishniah	
14 N P Rangadhamiah	

Resolution Mr P Sitaramiah opened the subject as follows - "his proposition is brought forward to improve the condition of sweepers to some extent On account of want of funds we did not give effect to the scheme till now though this subject has been engaging the attention of the House for a long time We may raise a loan of Rs 25 000/- from Government at a favourable rate of interest The repayment of the loan is assured because the sweepers could be made to pay a rent of one rupee a month and the realisation would cover the annual instalment The President said that each house would cost about Rs 125/- and fifty houses might be built in the first instance and the scheme extended gradually so that the sweepers and scavengers would be available for work ~~xxxthatxxthexxwxxxxx~~ in the different Mohallas without the necessity of their going from one end of a Mohalla to another Mohalla as is the case now

Mr A R Sricanta Sharma in seconding the proposition said that the sweepers' huts should be built in different directions so that they could attend to their work in time and satisfactorily It is necessary to build such huts in order to avoid strikes of the kind that took place in Calcutta (but the President said that the strikes at Calcutta were due to different causes altogether)

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Mr T C Ali Khan The proposal is very good This has come up before us from the time of Mr Madhava Pao This is not a fresh scheme put forward by these 14 Councillors We had provided Rs 60 000/- half the cost being met from the Trust Board but the scheme was not given effect to The Presidents have been changing once in 3 years It would be better if the Presidentsare kept permanent for at least 12 years The Goverrment also had a dificit budget and it was doubtful if they would be able to lend (Mr A Krishna Rao interrupted him by saying that the Government would not refuse to lend this amount if they (Councillors) urged their need) There is no good in passing a resolution on paper With the help of some money received from His Highness the Yuvaraja some poor houses were meant to be built for these people but those houses were disposed of otherwise (Mr A Krishna Rao in rising to correct Mr Ali Khan said that these houses were not meant for scavengers)

President We could construct a tenement for about Rs 150/- so that with this loan we would be able to give accommodation to about 150 families

Mr H C Dasappa - It is better not to fix the rate of interest In the proposition the portion at 4½% interest" may be changed to " at a specially low rate of interest" Mr P Sitaramiah the mover of the proposition accepted this amendment Accordingly it was resolved as follows -

" Resolved that the Government be requested to lend Rs 25 000/- at a specially low rate of interest to build cheap and sanitary houses for the scavengers in various Mohallas of the City to obviate the housing difficulty of these people "

Sd B T Vesvaiengar

President

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PRESIDENT

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SUBJECT

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Diary No of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

Date of issue 22. 11. 1935

Signed by M A S. R

May this be—

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(ii) treated as a standin order?

(iii) published in the Gazette En lish Part?

(iv) t anslated?

(v) placed at the disposal of the press?

(vi) published in the Gazette Kannada Part?

Read— Letter No Q T 1713 dated 26-3-35 from the President city Municipal Council Mysore, submitting for sanction the resolution of the Municipal Council that Govt be requested to sanction a free grant of a sum of Rs 25,000 or ~~to lend this~~ give a loan of that amount

~~Order thereon.~~—No to the Municipality at a specially low rate of interest to enable the Municipality to build Cheap and sanitary houses for the scavengers of the Municipality

2) Note No Q T 544 dated 3-9-35 of the same officer, stating that the Municipal Council have since

approved of an alternative and cheaper scheme for housing the scavengers, under which each scavenger is to be provided with building materials costing about Rs 13 for putting up a shed himself on the site allotted and that a sum of Rs 4000 has been made in the budget estimate for the current year for this purpose

Order No L 3823-25

The ~~alternative~~ second scheme proposed by the Municipal Council is sanctioned

2 As the provision of Rs 4000 proposed by the Municipal Council for the scheme in the budget has been reduced to Rs 3,000, the expenditure on this account during the current year should be limited to the latter sum

List of Enclosure

19/11/35
Chief Secy to Govt

20/11/35

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The President, City Municipal Council, Mysore
with plans and estimates

Director of Health in Mysore

Comptroller to Govt

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

Read –

Letter No G T 1713 dated 26 3 1935, from the President, City Municipal Council, Mysore, submitting for sanction the resolution of the Municipal Council that Government be requested to sanction a free grant of a sum of Rs 25,000/- or give a loan of that amount to the Municipality at a specially low rate of interest to enable the Municipality to build cheap and sanitary houses for the scavengers of the Municipality

2 Note No G T 544 dated 3 9 1935, of the same officer, stating that the Municipal Council have since approved of an alternative and cheaper scheme for housing the scavengers, under which each scavenger is to be provided with building materials costing about Rs 13/- for putting up a shed himself on the site allotted and that a provision of Rs 4,000/- has been made in the budget of the Municipality for the current year for the purpose

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ORDER NO L 3823-25/ml 279-33-8

Dated, Bangalore, the 21st November 1935

The second scheme proposed by the Municipal Council is sanctioned

2 As the provision of Rs 4,000/- proposed by the Municipal Council for the scheme in the budget has been reduced to Rs 3,000/- the expenditure on this account during the current year should be limited to the latter sum

Asstt to Rao

For Chief Secretary to Government

The President, City Municipal Council, Mysore, with plans and estimates
- Director of Health in Mysore
- Comptroller to Government